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Sent: 5/4/2020 9:10:41 PM
To: Petriman, Viorica [Petriman.Viorica@epa.gov]
CC: Bird, Patrick [Bird.Patrick@epa.gov]; Wortman, Eric [Wortman.Eric@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: EPA OCS air permitting contact update & September 2018 BOEM-EPA agreement re: ESA/MSA/NHPA

Hi Viorica,

OK, here it is below. Please let me know if you need me to follow up with anything else.

Take care and stay safe,

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From: Morin, Michelle <Michelle.Morin@boem.gov>
Sent: Thursday, November 14, 2019 7:34 AM
To: Bird, Patrick <Bird.Patrick@epa.gov>; Kipka, Undine <kipka.undine@epa.gov>
Cc: Boatman, Mary C <Mary.Boatman@boem.gov>; Slayton, Ian A <Ian.Slayton@boem.gov>
Subject: Re: EPA OCS air permitting contact update & September 2018 BOEM-EPA agreement re: ESA/MSA/NHPA

Hello Pat and Undine,

Thank you for the email. I apologize for the delay in responding. I just noticed that my reply to Undine was still in my drafts folder and had not yet been sent.

I have cc'd Mary Boatman, who is the environmental coordinator for the South Fork EIS, and Ian Slayton, who is our air quality specialist.

I confirm that BOEM will be the lead agency and EPA will be included as a co-action agency for the ESA, EFH, and NHPA consultations for the South Fork Project.

Thanks,
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From: Bird, Patrick <Bird.Patrick@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, November 14, 2019 7:03 AM
To: Morin, Michelle <Michelle.Morin@boem.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: EPA OCS air permitting contact update & September 2018 BOEM-EPA agreement re: ESA/MSA/NHPA

Hi Michelle,

Could you please let us know affirmatively that BOEM will assume the lead Federal agency role for the South Fork project with respect to ESA, EFH, and NHP?

We're building the docket and would like to have a confirmation email on this point.

Thanks!

Pat

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 30, 2019, at 4:38 PM, Kipka, Undine <kipka.undine@epa.gov> wrote:

Dear Ms. Morin:

I hope you're well.

EPA Region 1 is currently reviewing the Clean Air Act application materials for Deepwater Wind South Fork, the wind farm located in BOEM Renewable Energy Lease Area OCS-A 0486. Because your prior contact, Eric Wortman, is on a detail until June 2020, I wanted to let you know that I will be the contact for the Deepwater Wind South Fork Clean Air Act permitting action. I am a former NPDES water permit writer who started working on Pat Bird's team in the EPA Region 1 Air and Radiation Division this week.

As you know, based on a September 2018 agreement between EPA and Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) (attached), BOEM assumed the lead Federal agency role for compliance with the Endangered Species Act (ESA), 16 U.S.C. § 1531 *et seq.*, the Magnuson-Stevens Act (MSA), 16 U.S.C. § 1801 *et seq.*, and the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), 54 U.S.C. § 300101 *et seq.* on wind energy development projects on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) off the Atlantic coast, and that EPA is a co-action agency for all proposed and future ESA, MSA, and NHPA compliance activities associated with wind development projects on the Atlantic OCS.

I am writing you this email to reaffirm the understanding laid out in our September 2018 agreement for the Deepwater Wind South Fork project. Please let me know if you have any questions in regards to the Deepwater Wind South Fork project. Also, please feel free to reach out to me with status updates on other OCS projects while I get up to speed. I look forward to working with you.

Kind regards,

Undine

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